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This booklet contains a list of all the bills that were introduced in the Nova Scotia House of Assembly during the Fall 2003 sitting of the Assembly. This sitting is the First Session of the Fifty-ninth General Assembly.

A Government Bill is distinguished by designating the portfolio of the Minister who introduced it. A Private Member's Bill (non-Government public bill) or Private or Local Bill is distinguished by giving the constituency of the member who introduced it.

In Nova Scotia all Government Bills and Private Member's Bills, after receiving second reading, are referred to the Law Amendments Committee unless the House otherwise determines. The only exception to this rule is the appropriations bill which is governed by special rules of the House. All Private or Local Bills, after receiving second reading, are referred to the Committee on Private and Local Bills.

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Honourable Ronald S. Russell, C.D.
(Minister responsible for the Insurance Act)

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(Minister of Justice)

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Darrell Dexter
(Cole Harbour)

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Darrell Dexter
(Cole Harbour)

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Honourable Peter G. Christie
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(Minister of Justice)

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Honourable Barry Barnet
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